

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-40 were pending. Claims 36-40 are being withdrawn by this Amendment "A".

Applicants elect the invention of Group I, which includes claims 1-35, for prosecution. The applicants will pursue the invention of Group II, which includes claims 36-40, in a divisional application in due course.

Conclusion

It is the Applicants' belief that all of the claims are in condition for allowance and action towards that effect is respectfully requested.

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

Respectfully submitted,



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